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November 8, 2006

Mr. Robert Clark, Director
Monmouth County Planning Board
Hall of Records Annex
One East Main Street
Freehold, NJ 07728

RE: Western Monmouth Development Plan Petition for Initial Plan Endorsement

Dear Mr. Clark:

On October 26, 2006, the Office of Smart Growth sent a letter to you that addressed the outstanding consistency concerns with regard to the Western Monmouth Development Plan (WMDP). The letter procedurally recognized the need to establish an extension of time, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:85-7.5 (f), for representatives from your office to meet with the representatives from the Office of Smart Growth and the participating State agencies in order discuss and resolve the outstanding consistency issues referred to in the letter. The allotment of time provided was 30 days.

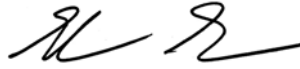
However, on October 31, 2006, during a pre-petition meeting to discuss the Monmouth County Coastal Region Strategic Development Plan (CRSDP) with Bonnie Goldschlag and Joe Barris of the Monmouth County Planning Board and Marcia Shiffman of Maser Consulting, we were able to satisfactorily address some of the outstanding issues that pertain to the Western Monmouth Development Plan, as well as establish an outline of the procedural steps that would lead to Plan Endorsement for the Monmouth County Coastal Region Strategic Development Plan.

The two primary outstanding areas for consideration for the WMDP are, firstly, how proposed growth areas and centers would be graphically illustrated within the Plan, and secondly, whether the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) would be satisfied with the information that you have provided thus far with regard to water supply and wastewater management. Due to the technical nature of the water supply and wastewater issue, I am recommending that a meeting be coordinated through my Office with the pertinent DEP representatives, Department of Transportation representatives, and staff from the Monmouth County Planning Board. I believe that 90 days would be an appropriate allotment of time within which to achieve this goal.

Therefore, in accordance with the aforementioned statute, N.J.A.C. 5:85-7.5 (f), I am providing Monmouth County with a 90 day extension of time to meet with the appropriate agency staff and provide the additional information requested in our recent letter of October 26, 2006.

Thank you for your continued participation and dedication to the Plan Endorsement process. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Russel Like, Area Planner for Monmouth County, at (609) 292-6350 or via email at Russel.like@dca.state.nj.us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Eileen Swan', written in a cursive style.

Eileen Swan,
Executive Director

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Attachment

- c. Bonnie Goldschlag, Assistant Planning Director, Monmouth County Planning Board
- Joseph Barris, Supervising Planner, Monmouth County Planning Board
- Joseph I. Donald, Deputy Executive Director, OSG
- Benjamin Spinelli, Policy Director, OSG
- Russel Like, Area Planner, OSG
- State Agency Representatives *via email*